

House Resolution 330

By: Representative Anderson of the 123rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and honoring Sister Cecelia Kirkland; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Sister Cecelia Kirkland is an active and dedicated senior member of Portersville
3 Missionary Baptist Church; and

4 WHEREAS, in August 1939, the year that Reverend Tanksley preached the revival at
5 Porterville, Sister Cecelia Kirkland was baptized by Reverend O. S. Scott in Rosemary Creek
6 with Martha Hart, Virginia Jones, and Shepherd Archie; and

7 WHEREAS, her favorite scripture is the 23rd Psalm, and her hymn of choice is "A Charge
8 to Keep I Have"; and

9 WHEREAS, her connections with Portersville Missionary Baptist Church run through
10 several generations, including her grandfather Reverend Dennis Kirkland, her father Ashley
11 Spence, and her mother Bessie Kirkland White; and

12 WHEREAS, the senior members of Portersville Missionary Baptist Church will be the
13 honored guests at a dinner on Saturday, February 26, 2005, celebrating Black History Month
14 through the theme "Remembering our Past, Living the Present, and Preparing for Eternity";
15 and

16 WHEREAS, on this grand occasion, it is highly fitting and proper that this body recognize
17 the many years of devoted service that this distinguished lady has given to Portersville
18 Missionary Baptist Church.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
20 the members of this body join in recognizing and honoring Sister Cecelia Kirkland, an
21 esteemed senior member of Portersville Missionary Baptist Church.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Sister Cecelia Kirkland.